

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION****by Mayor Mike Callahan**

*Call 301-789-8009 to contact the Mayor. The Mayor's door at the Community Center is open to visitors on **Monday evenings** from 7:30 to 9:30 PM, except holidays or if otherwise posted.*

**Is May the Funnest Month in Cheverly?:** Did he really say "funnest"? Doesn't he know that funnest is not a word? Of course I do, but "most fun" simply doesn't sound as fun as "funnest". Okay, let's forget the grammar games and get to basics, "Why is May so much fun?"

- **Election Day May 1<sup>st</sup>:** Cheverly has the best Town Council, the best election supervisors, and the best polling place ever. Have you ever seen Cheverly's Ballot Box? If not, then it's worth coming to Town Hall and vote and check out the Ballot Box.
- **Garden Club Plant Sale May 13<sup>th</sup>:** If you are looking for plants that will grow in Cheverly soil, where best to go than to the Garden Club Plant Sale. These plants come straight from your neighbor's yards. Get there early, to get the best selection.
- **Cheverly Day May 20<sup>th</sup>:** Parades, Food, Midway, Music, Fireworks, Beer Garden, BUBBLE SOCCER, Mini Golf, Dunk Tanks and so much more!

**Town Council Considers the FY18 Budget:** The Town Administrator provided the Town Council with a draft of the FY18 Budget during the April 13<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting. There is simply no bad news to be discussed. The FY17 Budget had called for a deficit of

\$514K which would have resulted in a \$1.9M Fund Balance. Well, the town received almost \$300K in additional revenue and spent \$400K less in expenses. The result was \$315K surplus for FY17 and a resulting 2.8M fund balance.

Looking forward to FY18, the Town Administrator's Draft Budget calls for \$6.222M in Revenue and \$6.518M in Expenses, which would yield a deficit of \$289K, and a year ending fund balance of \$2.524M. Here is where I yearly caution everyone that the Town Administrator typically budgets very conservatively. He budgets revenue low and expenses high. This typically means that project deficits frequently end up as small surpluses.

Of course it helps that the Town Administrator, Public Works Director and Police Chief work hard annually to deliver services at a low price point. Capital Expenses vary annually based on need, but measuring operating costs allows us to see the growth of government. In FY11 Operating Expenses were \$4.439M projected Operating Expenses for FY17 are \$4,801M, and I expect the operating expenses will end up lower.

**Okay but what about the Tax Rate:** Today the Tax Rate is .56 cents per hundred dollars of assessed value. If the Council does not change the tax rate, your taxes will grow on average 7.5% as assessments will rise by that much.

The Council will be discussing the Tax Rate in their April 27<sup>th</sup> to determine what the Tax Rate should be. The current FY18 Draft Budget is based on keeping the Tax Rate at .56.

**Be one of the Cool Kids this Summer:** There is still time to request the planting of a tree at your residence or business in Cheverly this month. Participants just need to water and mulch their tree(s). This will not only provide benefits to you, including increased property value, you will be helping to replenish and expand Cheverly's tree canopy, cooling the community, reducing polluted runoff, and reducing asthma by cleaning the air.

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A call to Public Works at 301-773-2666 will get the job done!

**Cheverly Sector Plan:** The Sector Plan moves to its next phase, completion. In March and April Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission solicited final input into the plan. Impressively, over 100 people attended a meeting at town hall in March, and then residents also came out to testify at the District Council meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>. The Town Council, Green Infrastructure Committee and the Planning Board provided final comments prior to the closing date on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

So what the heck does all this mean? Good question. So frequently I run into folks who believe the town or the county is going to begin building to meet the plan. Well, shucks, that is not the way it happens. The plan sets guidelines for developers that will eventually come to the area to build housing, especially at the Prince George's Hospital site. Since we all know that

this is still many years away, what we have done is develop a blueprint for the future. So please hang I there.

Economic factors are looking up. Cheverly is rapidly becoming a location that families want to move to. What we really need is a diversity of housing stock that can be accommodated at the hospital site, near the Wyndham Hotel, and around the edges of the Sector Plan. So while it may take time, we are enthusiastic about the future.

**What's happening with Boom Reporting?** The University of Maryland will soon be removing the sensors from the ground and reviewing the resulting data. I have been told this is a very detailed process and we should not expect instantaneous results. Unfortunately, we have also experienced a lull in the number of "booms" and the reporting via the on-line forms.

We will keep you apprised of what is happening, throughout the process. Please continue to use the on-line forms to report "booms": [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvvDHDnyN\\_i6GgXnngSifqkHhSNL\\_kKeOhUvVgXEWt5nEstA/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvvDHDnyN_i6GgXnngSifqkHhSNL_kKeOhUvVgXEWt5nEstA/viewform?c=0&w=1)

### **BTW, Check Out the Improvements at Town**

**Park:** When you go to Cheverly Day, and of course you will, please check out Town Park. Utilizing Program Open Space grant money, the town improved the two ball fields and built a brand new batting cage. For the very first time, our kids will be protected from the sun as they sit in dugouts. WOW! My kids are jealous!

With the new fabricated wall, new stage and improvements made in storm water management Town Park is looking good. However, we still have a ways to go to implement the tenants of the Town Park Plan approved three years ago. This year the Town Council is considering moving the Basketball courts to the Tennis Court area and create an all-purpose court. This will allow us to build a pavilion in the area where the basketball courts are to support the community market and other community activities.



### *Message from the Chief*

Buddy Robshaw

([policechief@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:policechief@cheverly-md.gov)).

**POLICE NIGHTTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER:  
301-789-5090**

**OUR FIRST STREET MEET:** Some time ago, I announced that the normal C-PACT structure was going to be changed. Part of the change was brought about because of poor attendance, some because of competition for time with other community groups and local sports, and some undoubtedly because the message had become stale. This change in format was created to make C-PACT more accessible to Cheverly residents and to showcase a number of interesting topics about the Police Department that are not generally made available outside of Public Safety Day. **The first Street Meet is scheduled for Sunday, May 7, 2017. The Street Meet will run from 6:30 to 8:00 PM, and the location will be the triangle located at Forest Road, Valley Way, and Greenleaf Road.**

A Street Meet is an opportunity for residents to walk to the meeting, obtain handout materials on Ride-Alongs, house checks, home security surveys, and vehicle donations. It is also an opportunity to discuss local crime issues, deterrence plans, and to seek ways to improve our resident-police partnership. There will also be equipment displays, handouts for the kids, and an opportunity to interact with neighbors and friends. Hope to see all local residents there. Every month thereafter during the Summer, the location of a Street Meet will change as we take the program around the Town and address specific issues significant to each neighborhood.

**HOME SECURITY SURVEYS:** The surest way to protect your home against burglary is to have a free home security inspection and survey completed by the Cheverly Police Department. Inspections can be performed day or night, and usually take about one hour to complete. Most improvement suggestions are not expensive and can be accomplished by the homeowner. Sign up at a Street Meet or call the office anytime at 301-341-1055. All inspections come with written notes on how to make improvements and follow-up

calls to the Station are always accepted.

**ARE YOU THINKING OF PURCHASING AN ALARM SYSTEM?** – The CPD is frequently asked by residents whether they should purchase/lease an alarm service for home protection or not. The first response we give to this question is that you should look at alarm systems more towards the perspective of a notification device rather than a deterrent device. Because alarm companies make every effort to notify the homeowner before notifying the police of a current alarm, criminals who commit B&E's know that they have a certain window of opportunity before the arrival of the police. This window may be up to 10 minutes or more, allowing suspects plenty of time to remove items from a home or business and be gone before the police get there.

On the other hand, an alarm system is useful for residents on vacation or who are away from home for long periods of time. The alarm notification ensures that the police will be notified in the absence of the owner and can take specific steps to protect the residence until the owner can be notified. Be sure to tell the CPD when you are away and request a house check. In addition to the other required information, make sure you tell the CPD whether you have an alarm and how you can be contacted in the event the alarm is activated while you are away.

**TEXTING AND CELLULAR TELEPHONE USE IN A MOTOR VEHICLE:** Most residents are aware that texting or using a hand-held cellular device while driving are both primary offenses and punishable by fines. Engaging in either of these activities that results in a traffic accident with serious bodily injury or death also carries drastic consequences, including incarceration and loss of driver's license. In addition, any person under the age of 18 years who is found texting while driving may have their license suspended for 90 days at a time or receive a license restriction that allows driving only to and from school or work.

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**This includes when the vehicle is not moving or stopped at a traffic light, stop sign, or railroad signal, or while you are waiting for slow traffic, an accident, or while in line at a toll booth. In addition, school bus drivers and the holder of a learner's instructional permit or a provisional driver's license who is 18 years of age or older are never allowed to text or talk on a cellular while driving.**

#### TELEPHONE NUMBERS –

Police Emergency	9-1-1
Police Nonemergency Calls for Dispatch	(301) 352-1200
Cheverly Police – Main Line	(301) 341-1055
Cheverly Police (Night/Weekend Only)	(301) 789-5090
Cheverly Police Facsimile	(301) 341-0176
Cheverly Photo Enforcement	(240) 770-7641
Alley Cat Towing (Towing Vendor)	(301) 864-0323
Cheverly Investigators	(301) 789-8551 (301) 852-0537

#### Crime Report for MARCH 2017

**\*Note that all addresses are in Hundred Blocks**

03/09/17	1528	hrs	Theft from Auto	1700 62 <sup>ND</sup> Ave
03/10/17	0927	hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	5800 Carlyle
03/14/17	0547	hrs	Theft from Auto	6300 Landover Rd
03/16/17	2202	hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	5800 Annapolis Rd
03/16/17	2018	hrs	B&E (Res.)	6500 Landover Rd
03/22/17	1519	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
03/25/17	0905	hrs	Theft from Auto	6400 Landover Rd
03/25/17	1631	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
03/26/17	1102	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
03/29/17	1338	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd

## TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSESSIONS

*Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted*

### ACTIONS TAKEN

#### Town Meeting - April 13, 2017

- **CM Stewart** to make a motion that we accept the Cheverly Woman's Club grant request for \$250 for refreshments at the Candidate's Forum. Seconded CM Riazi. A friendly amendment was offered and accepted to set the amount as up to \$200. Approved 5-0.
- **CM Riazi** to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved 5-0 by roll call vote.

#### Worksession - April 27, 2017

- *Not available at the time of printing.*

### TENATIVE AGENDA

#### Town Meeting - May 11, 2017

1. Swearing in of Councilmembers.
2. Discussion FY18 Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program.
3. Introduction OB-1-18 FY18 Operating Budget and C.I.P.
4. R-5-17 and R-16-17 LEOPS.

#### Worksession - May 25, 2017

## RECYCLING TOTALS MARCH 2017

Curb Recycling - 46.64 tons

Electronic Recycling - 0

Appliances - 1



Memorial Day

May 29, 2017

Offices Closed

No Trash  
Pickup

## Weed Killers and Pesticides



Besides the purchase and planting of vegetables, garden flowers, and trees, spring has many residents attempting to rid their yards of weeds and pest. To this end, many will make a visit to the nearest “big box store” and purchase either a weed killer and/or a pesticide that promises to eliminate the problem with one application. In newspapers and television, manufacturers of these products boast the effectiveness of their individual product and how quickly the results can be identified. However,

until the label of the product is thoroughly read, the negative environmental effects the methods in which it will be absorbed by the body, and how long they will linger are seldom addressed in their respective commercials.



It is therefore incumbent upon the consumer and critical that before you buy a product, before you use any of these chemicals, the label is read. Read as to how long it will stay in the environment, how you can protect yourself and your neighbors and what is the best time to apply it. Read as if your life, the life of your family and friends is in immediate danger; for it might be.



Three weeks ago public works was asked to investigate what appeared to be a simple fence application of weed killer. The homeowner that did not call public works, had applied liquid weed killer near the fence on a windy day killing not only the weeds by his yard but wilting the neighbors plants. Perhaps if the label was read the blowing wind would have been considered.

Please, before you buy, before you apply ensure your safety and the safety of those around you. Above all consider the environment and evaluate the use of safer products. Go online and find a suitable environmentally friendly product that will satisfy your needs before buying a dangerous chemical.



“According to the survey, more than 16.5 million pounds of pesticides were used throughout Maryland in 2011. The majority – more than 11.2 million pounds or 68 percent of the total – were pesticides used as wood preservatives. Wood preservative are pesticides commonly used to protect decks, raised garden beds, telephone poles, road signs, marine pilings, etc. from the damage insects and mold can inflict. Wood preservatives are applied to wood in a controlled factory environment prior to its sale to contractors.

Herbicides accounted for 3.4 million pounds or 21 percent of total usage; insecticides accounted for 5 percent; and fungicides for 3 percent. Since the last pesticide survey was conducted in 2004, fungicide use has declined 84 percent; herbicide usage has declined 46 percent; and insecticide use declined 5 percent” (Maryland **Department of Agriculture Website**).

Each one of us can help ensure the present and the future environment of the Town of Cheverly. Perhaps this spring could be the spring that chemicals with negative impacts are not applied in Town. Before you buy a weed killer or a pesticide, consider the possible environmental setbacks to your family, your savings, your neighbors, your Town, your state, our bay.





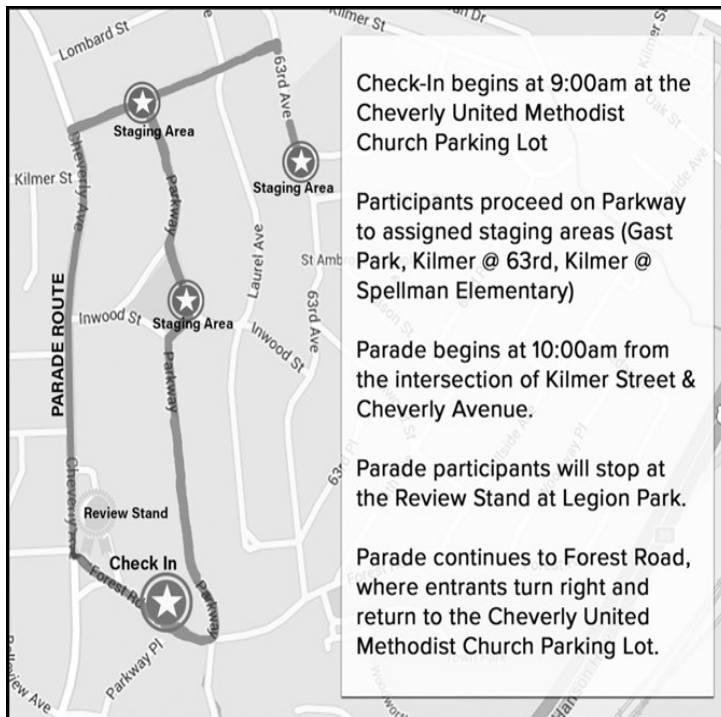
# Cheverly Day

Saturday, May 20, 2017

**Cheverly LOVES a parade!** The biggest celebration of the year is nearly here, and we're eager to share it with you! Visit our website ([www.cheverlyday.org](http://www.cheverlyday.org)) for complete schedules, updates, and all the latest about Cheverly Day 2017! This year, you'll be able to keep up to date throughout the day using your phone – our website is mobile-friendly, so you'll have the latest information at your fingertips! You can also follow @CheverlyDay on Twitter, and like us on Facebook for additional content and news.

**CHVProm** kicks off our weekend from 8pm to midnight on May 19, and may be the hottest ticket in town...it's certainly the biggest adult party of the year. Tickets go on sale at the Town Offices on May 5 at 10am. This event sells out every year, so visit the Town Offices right away to get your tickets. CHVProm

kicks off Cheverly Day weekend with music, dancing, great food, drinks and prizes! The theme this year -- Heroes & Villains -- should inspire some amazing tables and outfits! Start brainstorming with your friends now to win the "Best Decorated Table" contest. Thanks to everyone for supporting this annual DIY dance. Follow all the latest CHVProm news and excitement on Twitter at @CHVProm.



Check-In begins at 9:00am at the Cheverly United Methodist Church Parking Lot

Participants proceed on Parkway to assigned staging areas (Gast Park, Kilmer @ 63rd, Kilmer @ Spellman Elementary)

Parade begins at 10:00am from the intersection of Kilmer Street & Cheverly Avenue.

Parade participants will stop at the Review Stand at Legion Park.

Parade continues to Forest Road, where entrants turn right and return to the Cheverly United Methodist Church Parking Lot.

**Cheverly LOVES a parade, and the parade is the BIG event this year! It begins at 10am on Saturday morning.** We're hoping everyone in town either participates or comes out to watch this year's parade, which runs on Cheverly Avenue from Kilmer Street to Forest Road, with a stop at the reviewing stand at Legion Park. Bands, Color Guards, marchers, floats, animals...lots of fun for everyone! There's still time to enter – see our site for details and an application. Get your creative juices flowing with our

**Annual Cheverly Day Photo Contest.** Sponsored

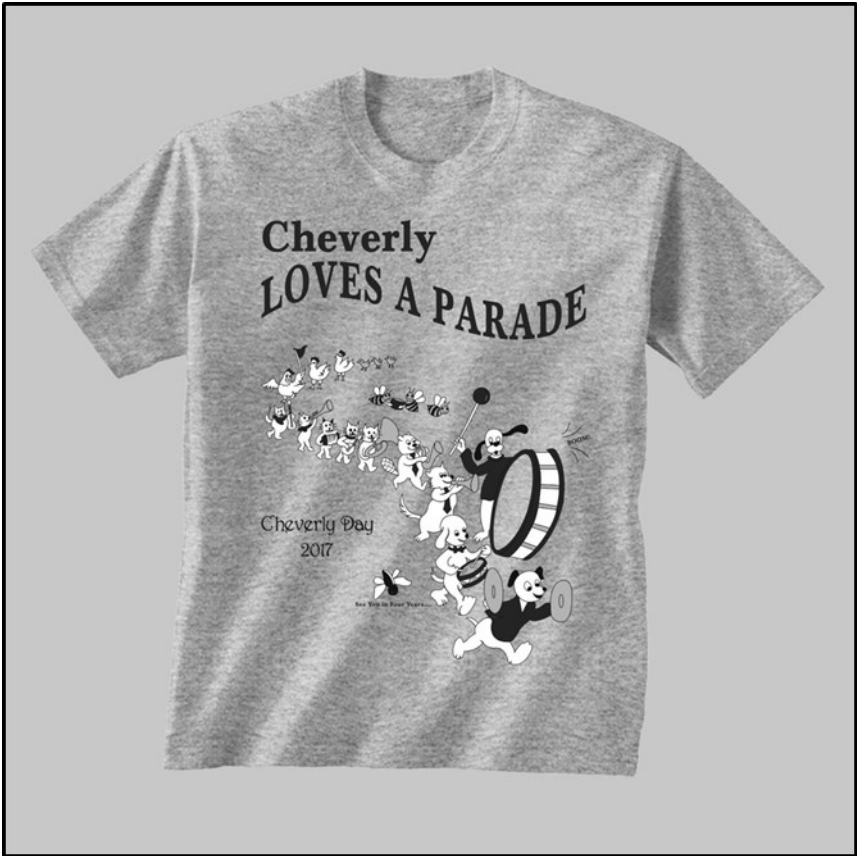
by the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee, the photo contest celebrates the waterways of Cheverly. Details at [www.cheverlyday.org/photo-contest.html](http://www.cheverlyday.org/photo-contest.html).

The **Annual 3 on 3 Basketball Tourney** begins in the gym at 11:00am. There are three age groups: 8-11, 12-16, and 17+, and winning teams in each category will receive a gift card. If you haven't spent some time watching, make sure to visit the Community Center Gym this Cheverly Day. You'll see some impressive skills and a lot of people really enjoying themselves. For team registration, download the form from our website, then complete and submit to the Cheverly Police Department by noon on May 20. For more information, call Sergeant Lamb or Detective Web at 301-341-1055.

At noon, join the ladies & gentlemen of summer at the annual **East vs. West Softball Game!** Everyone is welcome, and the game begins as soon as two sides can be made. It doesn't really matter what side of town you're from, but bragging rights are serious (and fun) business!

**Starting at 2pm, join us at Town Park and enjoy food, fun and great music throughout the day!** Participate in games and activities sponsored by Cheverly community groups; ride-ons for the youngest kids, moon bounces, and Midway games; laser tag; putt-putt golf; corn hole; a dunk tank featuring some of Cheverly's most illustrious personalities; and our newest addition: **Bubble Soccer!** As always, enjoy the party with a great lineup of music all afternoon. We'll have favorites from years past and some wonderful new acts – something to get everyone dancing. The whole day leads up to **THE FIREWORKS!** In an unscientific poll, you told us that your favorite part of Cheverly Day is the fireworks, and we aim to please again this year! Bring a blanket or lawn chair and stake out your spot for the best show of the year -- **Mayor Mike Callahan's** presentation, speeches, and the National Anthem, followed by the big event – those glorious fireworks – at 9:00pm! Learn about all of our activities and entertainers on the website ([www.cheverlyday.org](http://www.cheverlyday.org)).

**Arrive at Cheverly Day festivities in style!** From 2:00pm until 6:00pm, we'll have shuttle service running between Town Park and Euclid Park -- just flag the driver and hop on.



**Hungry?** We have something for every taste on Cheverly Day. This year, we'll have old favorites and new treats, including great food trucks! Of course, we're always glad to see the gentlemen of the **St. Ambrose Men's Club** and their **Annual Beer Garden**, joined by the **American Legion Auxiliary Unit 108**. We always excited for the Beer Garden -- it's a great place to wile away a Cheverly Day!

**Make sure to pick up a 2017 Cheverly Day T- Shirt!** It's a gray cotton tee with the coordinates of the best little town around – you'll always know how to get home when you're wearing this shirt! Only \$10, available at the Midway, or in advance by contacting Pat Nelson (patnelson217@gmail.com). We know people who collect these treasures from year to year... why not start your collection this year?

Cheverly Day relies on many dedicated volunteers, sponsors, and sponsoring advertisers. Please show them your appreciation! **We extend special thanks to Juan Torres and the Public Works crew for keeping Cheverly gorgeous and clean, and to Chief Buddy Robshaw and the Cheverly Police Department for keeping the Town peaceful and safe.**

**Keep up with all the latest Cheverly Day news and get the complete schedule on our website!** Follow our **blog** ([www.cheverlyday.blogspot.com](http://www.cheverlyday.blogspot.com)) and consult the **website** ([www.cheverlyday.org](http://www.cheverlyday.org)) for complete up-to-the-minute information. Like us on **Facebook** ([www.facebook.com/pages/Cheverly-Day/142851379104423](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Cheverly-Day/142851379104423)) or follow us on **Twitter** (@CheverlyDay or tweet us at #CheverlyDay) for fun details throughout Cheverly Day. Don't forget, you can become a sponsor by visiting our website ([www.cheverlyday.org](http://www.cheverlyday.org)) and making a donation. We want to share the day with everyone in town. Bring your friends, your neighbors, your kids, your parents, and enjoy a spectacular Cheverly Day 2017! **We can't wait to see you May 19 & 20 at the biggest celebration in Town!**

# Community Bulletin Board



## Prepare to Move and Be Moved

It was an honor and privilege to hear Cheverly Village founding member Thelma Boyd-Nash at the Prince George's African American Museum and Cultural Center on April 8. [www.pgaamcc.org](http://www.pgaamcc.org)

If you missed this informative and moving Member Story-Telling, or want to hear it again, it is now available on [CheverlyVillage.org](http://CheverlyVillage.org). While you are there, be sure to also listen to Anne Marie Reimschuessel's account of her family's escape from Soviet-occupied East Berlin in 1949 (with daughter Renate).

You can easily stay informed about upcoming 'Happenings' and see the full calendar of events at [cheverlyvillage.org](http://cheverlyvillage.org) whether you are a member, volunteer or interested community member. You can find out about Volunteer Happy Hours at Fratelli's for present volunteers and those considering volunteering as we share experiences and answer questions while socializing. Board meetings, trainings, social events and other related "goings on" will be posted on the calendar for easy consideration.

And, please, consider yourself officially invited to join Cheverly Village in the Cheverly Day Parade on May 20 as we celebrate our wonderful community where we can "Age in Motion."

*To learn how to become a Cheverly Village member or volunteer, or how to make a tax-deductible contribution, please call us at (240) 770 1033, write us at [village@cheverlyvillage.org](mailto:village@cheverlyvillage.org), or check out [www.cheverlyvillage.org](http://www.cheverlyvillage.org).*

-- Teresa Williams, for Cheverly Village Board of Directors

**Recreation Council** - May meeting is Tuesday the 23rd of May at 7PM in the conference room at the Community Center. We will discuss the summer playground and any other unfinished business. This is our last meeting till Tuesday September 26, 2017 at 7pm in the conference room. Hope to see some new faces then! Have a wonderful summer!



**The Cheverly Recreation Council** will sponsor the John "Dent" Wilson Scholarship. This is a \$500 College scholarship awarded to a Cheverly resident who is enrolled full time in a academic or vocational post secondary education program for the 2016-2017 academic year. For applications call Judy DeLeonibus at 301-386-4251. In the last 3 years we have given 9 scholarships out to Cheverly Teens. The money for the scholarship comes from the sells of the Flea Market Tables.

## Cooling shade for you. And Cheverly!

There is still time to request the planting of a tree at your residence or business in Cheverly this month. Participants just need to water and mulch their tree(s). This will not only provide benefits to you, including increased property value, you will be helping to replenish and expand Cheverly's tree canopy, cooling the community, reducing polluted runoff, and reducing asthma by cleaning the air. Cheverly's tree program grew this year when we joined forces with a new initiative of the Central Kenilworth Avenue Revitalization CDC (CKAR), our county Department of Environment, and the Chesapeake Bay Trust. In the pilot phase of the new campaign, 20 or more trees will be planted in Cheverly this month in addition to those already planned by the town, with many more available in the fall.

Receive a Tree Request form by emailing Dan Smith of Cheverly, [dsmith@ckarcde.org](mailto:dsmith@ckarcde.org), or use the tree agreement (public works) form on the Cheverly website. More info coming soon to [www.ckarcde.org](http://www.ckarcde.org).



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## Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee

May Monthly Meeting Date: Monday, May 1, 2017 Time: 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Location: Large Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center 6401 Forest Road, Cheverly

Monthly meeting to report progress on Cheverly greening efforts and plan next steps and new initiatives. In implementing the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan, your Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee is working on projects in education, planning, and research. All are welcome to join us! Contact [sheila.salo@gmail.com](mailto:sheila.salo@gmail.com) for a copy of the meeting agenda.

### Cheverly Day 2017 Photo Contest

Yes, the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee is again sponsoring a photo contest for Cheverly Day. This year the focus of the contest will be on Cheverly's streams, springs and wetlands – and the plants and wildlife that live in, on, and around them. How would you portray our waterways in photos? The play of light and water, close-ups of plants, birds and other animals – it's up to you. Photos illustrating the good, the bad, and everything in between are welcome.

Check out the special photo contest section of [www.greencheverly.org](http://www.greencheverly.org).

Enter your photos in the Wild Cheverly Photo Contest. Here's how:

- Lace up your boots and take a walk in any of Cheverly's natural areas.
- Take photos of the nature you see around you. Be sure to include water or water-based life in your photos.
- Print out your photos.

Bring your photos to the town office between Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> and 5 PM, Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Complete contest rules are on the website, [www.greencheverly.org](http://www.greencheverly.org). Judging will take place Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at 5 PM.

Photos will be judged on composition, technical excellence, and subject: How well does the photo tell a visual story about Cheverly's streams? All photos will be on display during Cheverly Day and on [www.greencheverly.org](http://www.greencheverly.org) after the big day. Watch for us in the Cheverly Day Parade!

## Progressive Cheverly

**Thursday, May 4: Russia: What's going on** -- talk by Corey Flintoff, longtime NPR international correspondent based in Moscow, now retired, and a Cheverly resident. He will be interviewed by Dr. Liz Papazian, who is a specialist in Russian studies teaching at the University of Maryland. To be followed by a Q&A session with audience members. 7:00 pm, Hoyer Education Center (cafeteria), 2300 Belleview Ave. (Parking Available) Light refreshments will be served.

**Advocacy in the Maryland General Assembly to Protect our Communities.** Every year Progressive Cheverly actively participates in the work of the General Assembly where legislation that significantly affects the lives of Marylanders is acted upon. We are pleased that this session most of our priority issues were enacted into law. Our priority issues were: 1) Adopt the Maryland Law Enforcement and Governmental Trust Act (failed); 2) Protect the Affordable Care Act and Medicaid in Maryland (enacted); 3) Ban fracking in Maryland (enacted); 4) Oppose the bill to prevent local jurisdictions from establishing a minimum wage above the state level (enacted); 5) Adopt mandatory paid sick leave (enacted); and 6) Support full funding for the Prince George's Regional Medical Center (enacted), and ensure the viability of its Cardiac Care Center by opposing a similar center in Anne Arundel County (failed).

**Upcoming events** - see you at Cheverly Day. Watch for news about our June forum and our annual June picnic.

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## Spellman PTA Update - May 2017

### May Events

**Friday, May 12, 6:30-8:30 pm Spellman Multipurpose Room.**

### **ZUMBATHON® Fundraising Event**

*Benefiting the REAL School Gardens Project*

Bring your family and friends and enjoy a night of fun and fitness! No previous experience with Zumba or dance (or exercise) required... just be prepared to move and have a good time. Zumbathon® is the Spellman PTA's main fundraiser for the year. We are replacing the typical "buy something" fundraiser with a "do something" fundraiser that is healthy and fun. Zumba is an aerobic program that combines Latin and international music with dance moves.

Advance registration is \$20 per person minimum donation or \$25 at the door. Register today and reserve your spot on the dancefloor!

[www.spellmantpta.org/register](http://www.spellmantpta.org/register)

*Proceeds will go directly to the Spellman PTA for the REAL School Garden Program to create an outdoor learning lab and classroom for our students and teachers.*

The entire Spellman community is excited to celebrate Cheverly Day on May 20th and new this year: the Spellman Step Team will perform in the Cheverly Day Parade! They've been working hard on their moves and are looking forward to a great celebration. Don't miss it!

**Volunteers Needed!** Do you have some free time and an interest in supporting your neighborhood public school? There are many ways that you can get involved including gardening/landscaping, grant writing, and volunteering in the classroom or during lunchtime. Please contact us at [spellmanpta@gmail.com](mailto:spellmanpta@gmail.com) for more information.

**Earn \$\$ for Spellman while doing your everyday shopping!** It's easy. Online or in stores, you can support Spellman Elementary in these ways:

- **Amazon Smile:** Link your Amazon account with Spellman Elementary and earn money for the school each time you make a purchase. Visit <https://smile.amazon.com>. Sign into your Amazon account and search for Spellman PTA.
- **Box Tops for Education:** Look for the pink "Box Tops for Education" label on hundreds of participating grocery products, clip them out and drop them off at the main office at Spellman. The school will receive 10 cents for each Box Top collected!

## Join our FLBC Work Party on Saturday May 27

Join your friendly neighborhood environmental group, Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek (FLBC), for our monthly work party on Saturday, May 27 between 9 am and noon. We'll work on the on the walkway and on putting in native plants at the Magruder Spring entrance to the trail.

We'll meet at Magruder Spring, which is just off Cheverly Ave, a half block walk from the Cheverly 7-11 store and a few blocks from the Cheverly Metro station. Tools, gloves, snacks, water, and wake up coffee will be provided. All ages are welcome, and school community service hours are available. For more information, contact Joani Horschler at cell 301-802-7445.

## Cheverly American Legion Family

The Cheverly American Legion Family is a vibrant and growing group of men and women who share an interest in supporting veterans, military service members and their families, youth, and our community.

### Upcoming Events

**The American Legion** Field in France during World War I, and was looked upon by those serving as a living symbol of their fallen comrades' sacrifices. In 1920 after World War I, the poppy became the official flower of The American Legion Family to memorialize the soldiers who fought and died during the war. Distribution of poppies became an American Legion national program in 1924. To this day, thanks in large part to the American Legion Auxiliary, the poppy is nationally recognized and worn as a symbol of sacrifice made by the men and women who served and died for their country during a time of war.

Poppies will be distributed at all of the Cheverly American Legion Family events in May. Donations are welcome.

**Poppy Distribution** All Cheverly American Legion Events –

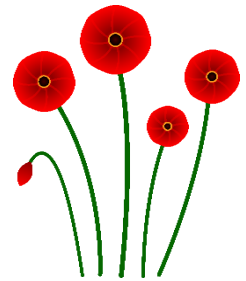
May 2017 Poppy Board - \$5 donation/poppy, Cheverly American Legion Dugout

Select a day in May to remember a friend, family member, or Veteran,

Cheverly Garden Club Plant Sale – Saturday, May 13, Town Park

Cheverly Metro - Thursday, May 26, 7:30 – 8:30 AM, Cheverly Metro

**Family flower of remembrance.** The poppy flower adorned the battlefields of Flanders



### Second Friday Game Night

**Friday, May 12, 8:00PM, Dugout**

Join the men of the Cheverly American Legion and St. Ambrose Men's club for pool, darts, and cards.

### Third Friday Ladies' Night

**Friday, May 26, 7:30 PM, Dugout**

Theme: Welcome Summer

Specialty Drink: Blueberry Hard Lemonade

Remember, Ladies Nights are not for ladies only.

### Clean up and Set up the Hall

**Cheverly American Legion Hall**

**Wednesdays 7:30 pm**

Members of the American Legion, SAL and ALA meet to get the Legion Hall ready for the weekend events.

### Friday Night Queen of Hearts Game

**Fridays, 7:30 PM, Cheverly American Legion Dugout**

Try your luck at finding the Queen of Hearts on the board of 54 cards. One drawing each week until the Queen of Hearts is found.

Raffle tickets for sale in the Dugout daily, 4:00 PM – 10:00PM, up to the drawing.

Must be a Cheverly American Legion, Son of the American Legion, or American Legion Auxiliary member to play.

**Mimosas and Muffins at the Garden Club Plant Sale – May 13, 8:00 am**

Mimosas, coffee, and muffins for sale. Get ready to shop with your morning mimosas or coffee.

### Cheverly Day Beer and Wine Tent –

Saturday, May 20, Cheverly Town Park.

The Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary and the St. Ambrose Men's club have teamed up to sell both beer and wine at Cheverly Day. Water and soda will also be available for purchase.

### Memorial Day Remembrances

**May 29, 2017**

**Legion Park, 10:00am**

Please join the Cheverly American Legion for a Memorial Day ceremony at Legion Park. The National Moment of Remembrance encourages all Americans to pause at 3 PM on Memorial Day for a minute of silence to honor those who have died in service.

**Open House at Cheverly American Legion Post 108,**

Noon to 4pm.

Food, beverages, children's activities.

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### Save the Date



**Saturday, June 3, 2017**

More details to come

**Saturday, June 24, 2017**

Blues/R&B/Jazz singer Carly Harvey.

More details to come.

**Wednesday, June 14, 2017**

Flag Day - Flag Retirement Ceremony at Post 108 near sunset. Time to be announced.

US Army birthday (1775)

**Cheverly American Legion Post 108 Membership (\$35/year):** The Legion is open to men and women who are serving or have served at least one day of active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States during time of war. Find eligibility dates, application form and documentation requirements on the Cheverly American Legion website: <http://CheverlyAmericanLegion.org> or contact Joseph Pruden (301) 602-2117.

Next Executive Committee meeting—  
Tuesday, May 2, 7:30 pm.

Next General Membership Meeting:  
May 15, 7:30 pm and is ELECTION night.  
Renew your membership if you haven't and be sure to attend this important meeting.

**Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary Membership (\$25/year; Jr. \$5/year):** The ALA is open to women veterans and women service members, and to many women whose family member is/was a veteran or service member. If you are interested in joining us or learning about the American Legion Auxiliary, email us at [cheverlyauxiliary@gmail.com](mailto:cheverlyauxiliary@gmail.com).

Next General Meeting:  
June 6, 7:30 – 9:00, Executive Committee Elections  
Cheverly American Legion Hall

**Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Membership (\$20/year):** The SAL is made up of men and boys of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the United States military and are eligible for membership in The American Legion. All who would like to know more about the Sons are welcome to attend the general meeting. For meeting date and time or more information, please email at [SAL@CheverlyAmericanLegion.com](mailto:SAL@CheverlyAmericanLegion.com).

## *Community Bulletin Board*

### **Unplug your children and put them on a path to outdoor adventure and character development – Cub**

**Scout Pack 257 and Boy Scout Troop 257** are expanding and have fun activities including camping, hiking, Search and Rescue activities, and kayaking planned for boys and young men. After a very busy winter of camping and search and rescue, Cub Scouts conducted the first of two spring camping trips on April 28-30 and will camp with the Boy Scouts on June 2-4. Scouting improves confidence, develops outdoor skills, teaches citizenship and builds character through community service. Cub Scouts are for boys in grades 1 through 5 and Boy Scouts are for young men in grades 6 through 12. Thanks to our generous sponsor, Cheverly's American Legion Post 108. For more information on Cub Scouts please email [scoutpack257@gmail.com](mailto:scoutpack257@gmail.com). For more information on Boy Scouts email [abramdavid@aol.com](mailto:abramdavid@aol.com). You can call Micah at 240-603-9366 for more info on both scouting opportunities.

## Community Bulletin Board

### St. Ambrose Summer Camp

**5 Weeks of Camp: June 26– July 28, 2017**

**We have so many fun and exciting activities planned for this year!**

**Here are a few things that your camp fee includes:**

Before & After Care Program  
Daily Morning Enrichment Program  
Certified Teachers  
Official Camp T-Shirt  
HSPT Book (8th grade only)  
Free Lunch on Mondays & Fridays  
Free Ice Cream on Fridays  
Field Trips - both in house and away  
Special Activities & Arts & Crafts  
Specialty Sports

***\*Registration will close on June 11, 2017 at 11pm, it will reopen on June 12, 2017 with an increase in camp fees of \$25 per week.***

\$285.00 per week/per child for Rising Pre-K thru Rising 8th Graders

Trip A Day Week for Rising 4th thru Rising 8th Grade - \$325.00 per child

(This includes all field trips & transportation fees)

1/2 Day HSPT Prep Program for Rising 8th Graders

\$160 per week/per student

(HSPT classes are taught by instructors from *Innovative Study Techniques*)

**For More Information & Registration go to:**

**sacheverly.org/summer-camp**

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### St. Ambrose – Did you know?

Did you know that during the school year our beautiful church is typically open from 9:00am – 4:00pm? Consider stopping by for 10 min of quiet prayer and reflection during your day & watch your relationship with the Lord grow in beauty and strength!



**CHVProm 2017 is May 19, 2017** from 8 PM to midnight.

This year's theme is Heroes & Villains. **Tickets go on sale Friday May 5 at 9 AM at Town Hall.** Tickets are \$15 individually or \$180 for a table of 12 (limit one table per person) – **CHECKS ONLY** (made out to Cheverly Day). A limited number of tickets will be reserved for sale at 10 AM on May 6 in front of Town Hall. CHVProm is an annual potluck/dance that kicks off Cheverly Day with music, dancing, great food, drinks, and prizes! Start brainstorming with your friends now to win the "Best Decorated Table" contest! For

all up-to-date information, follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1851554331764368/> or on Twitter @CHVProm!



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**CHEVERLY GARDEN CLUB** On Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM our club will be having their annual **PLANT SALE** at the Town Park Pavilion. 80% of the perennials for sale are 'Cheverly proven' – they will grow in your garden because they came from our gardens. You will also find Mother's Day baskets, annuals, vegetables, and herbs - ready to be planted (which is good as the soil has warmed). We will have Spider Plants that you can bring inside in the Fall. In the 1980's NASA proved that they purify the indoor air, especially mildew and mold. Yes, we will have Caladium bulbs for sale. They are tropical so you will need to wait to see the colors, but what a chance to buy cheap and have a showing in your yard...\$15 for at least 15-20 bulbs. Along with the plants for sale you can enjoy what the American Legion Auxiliary is offering- muffins and mimosas.

Congratulations to our Garden Club Grant recipients - Ben Hartmann and Diane Beedle.

On Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, members, family, and guests are invited to join us at the Town Park for our End-of-Year Potluck picnic. Call Barbara Pejokovich (301-773-5883) to confirm the date and tell her what you are sharing. In June, we will be sharing our creative sides making flower arrangements for Shut Ins. Please let us know if your neighbor should be on our list. Call 301.773.1991 and identify your call. Do not forget the US Arboretum and visit the Arbor House Gift Shop. We will be sharing places to visit and see this summer that are beautiful gardens. One is the Cat's Meow Lily Farm near Westminster, MD in July. Make reservations to have lunch there. We will keep in touch during July and August. **SEE YOU AT THE PLANT SALE!**

**You helped.....We are so proud to announce that two Cheverly residents Ben Hartmann and Diane Beedle received Grants from what we earned at the Plant Sale 2016. Ben will be studying his field in landscaping away from University of Maryland this coming semester. Look for the Fall announcement and apply for a Grant.**

**WOMAN'S CLUB** - Peace Camp 2017 is getting closer and we're focusing on raising funds for scholarships and registering campers. YOU CAN HELP! Talk to your family, neighbors, friends and co-workers. Share our website so they can learn more about Peace Camp.

( [www.thecheverlywomen'sclub.org](http://www.thecheverlywomen'sclub.org)). Camp is the week of Monday, July 24 to Friday, July 28. For more details and to register go to ([www.lffp.org](http://www.lffp.org)).

You can help by saving your coins and bringing them to our table on Cheverly Day. And you can help by joining the Woman's Club (\$25 – single / \$35 – family) and making a contribution to camp. Thanks to all who have done this already.

Our **next Meeting** – Monday, May 8 at the Community Center at 7 p.m.

Our **next Discussion Group** – Tuesday, May 16 at the Langs (6424 Forest Rd.) at 7 p.m. In appreciation of Peace Month we will focus on what peace means to each of us and how we can continue to grow seeds of peace in ourselves, our family, community and the world. Bring a peace reflection to share.

**PEACE CORNER** - This is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Peace Month in Cheverly. If you've celebrated with us along the way, continue to grow in peace now. If you haven't participated before, do so now. Peace Camp and Little Friends for Peace has as its motto this year, "Peace in myself, Peace in the world".

"Freedom is the continuous action we must all take, and each generation must do its part to create an even more fair, more just society. The work of love, peace, and justice will always be necessary." – Congressman John Lewis in Across That Bridge.

# May Peace Calendar - 2017



BE KIND, BE THOUGHTFUL, BE GENUINE, BUT MOST OF ALL BE THANKFUL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
KEEP ON YOUR REFRIGERATOR!	TOWN ELECTION - SHOW APPRECIATION FOR YOUR COUNCILPERSON - VOTE!	PROMOTE CHEVERLY'S PEACE CAMP - SAVE YOUR COINS AND BRING TO CHEVERLY DAY	HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR FEEL WELCOME NO MATTER WHERE THEY'RE FROM	PROGRESSIVE CHEVERLY MEETING - HOYER AT 7 P.M. - PEACE REFLECTION	TAKE A PERSONAL PLEDGE OF NONVIOLENCE - THE INSTITUTE FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE	RESPECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS / COMMUNICATE BETTER / LISTEN / FORGIVE / PLAY CREATIVELY / BE COURAGEOUS
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
"I'VE LEARNED THAT PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU SAID, PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU DID, BUT PEOPLE WILL NEVER FORGET HOW YOU MADE THEM FEEL." MAYA ANGELOU	WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING COMMUNITY CENTER 7 P.M. WE WILL TAKE A PERSONAL PLEDGE OF NONVIOLENCE FROM THE INSTITUTE FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE	EXPERIENCE THE FEELING OF PEACE	LET'S BUILD BRIDGES OF PEACE	SPEAK UP FOR PEACE	MERCY - IT IS ABOUT HOW WE CARE FOR THE LEAST AMONG US. IT IS KINDNESS. IT IS GRACE.	"WE ARE ONE PEOPLE, ONE FAMILY, THE HUMAN FAMILY, AND WHAT AFFECTS ONE OF US AFFECTS US ALL." - CONGRESSMAN JOHN LEWIS
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
MOTHER'S DAY - HONOR ALL MOTHERS ALL OVER THE WORLD	LITTLE FRIENDS FOR PEACE - PEACE IN MYSELF, PEACE IN THE WORLD	VISIT THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM IN BRENTWOOD	CHEVERLY PARENT RESOURCE CENTER - PEACE THEMED STORY TIME	"IF YOU FEEL YOU'VE BEEN "UNJUSTED" AND LOOK FOR JUSTICE, WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU SOUGHT LOVE INSTEAD? WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU GAVE LOVE INSTEAD?" - NEALE DONALD WALSCH	CHEVERLY DAY DANCE  CHEVERLY PARENT RESOURCE CENTER - FIELD TRIP TO THE PEACE TREE AT THE AREBORETEUM - RAIN DATE IS THE 24TH	CHEVERLY DAY - ENJOY THE PARADE / PEACE TRAIN / BUBBLE SOCIETY / FIRE WORKS
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
"WE MUST PURSUE PEACEFUL ENDS THROUGH PEACEFUL MEANS" - MLK	ACT FOR PEACE TODAY	"THE FUTURE WILL DEPEND ON WHAT WE DO IN THE PRESENT" - MAHATMA GANDHI	SHARE YOUR PRACTICE OF PEACE WITH OTHERS	PROMOTE THE CHEVERLY PEACE CAMP TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN	"Peace is softening what is rigid in our hearts. We can talk about we can march for ending war. But war is never going to end as long as our hearts are hardened against each other." - Pema Chodron, Practicing Peace in Times of War	VISIT PINKY'S PEACE PARK AND CHEVERLY'S PEACE POLE 59th & BEECHER ST.
28	29	30	31			
"... people want peace so much that one of these day governments had better get out of the way and let them have it!"  Dwight D. Eisenhower	CELEBRATE MEMORIAL DAY WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION	THANK YOU TO EVERYONE IN TOWN WHO IS CELEBRATING PEACE THIS MONTH IN ANY WAY!	CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL GRADUATING SENIORS AT BLADENSBURG HIGH SCHOOL	"ONLY LOVE CAN BRING US PEACE. AND THE EXPERIENCE OF LOVE IS A CHOICE WE MAKE, A MENTAL DECISION TO SEE LOVE AS THE ONLY REAL PURPOSE AND VALUE IN ANY SITUATION" MARIANNE WILLAMSON		



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### Email contact links at the website

#### Town Offices: (Mon-Fri, 9AM-5PM)

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## Meetings & Events

### GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Mon	May 01	7:00 AM	<b>ELECTIONS</b>
Thurs.	May 11	8:00 PM	<b>TOWN MEETING</b>
Sat.	May 20		<b>CHEVERLY DAY</b>
Tues	May 23	7:00 PM	Recreation Council
Thurs.	May 25	7:30 PM	<b>WORKSESSION</b>
Mon.	May 29		Memorial Day—Offices Closed <b>NO TRASH PICK UP</b>

### **CHEVERLY WEBSITE** [www.cheverly-md.gov](http://www.cheverly-md.gov)

You can easily contact the Mayor & Council through their town email accounts. There are also links at the Mayor & Council pages of the website.

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### COMMUNITY EVENT SCHEDULE

- **CHEVERLY DAY - SAT. MAY 20TH!**
- Cheverly Village - Prepare to Move & Be Moved
- Cool shade for you. And Cheverly!
- Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee - Monthly Meeting: Mon. May 1st @ 7:30pm
- Progressive Cheverly - What's going on: Thurs. May 4th @ 7:00pm
- Spellman PTA - Zumbathon: Fri. May 12th @ 6:30pm
- FLBC - Work Party: Sat. May 27th @ 9:00pm
- American Legion - Multiple Upcoming Events!
- Cub Scout Pack 257 & Boy Scout Troop 257 - Scouting Opportunities.
- St. Ambrose Summer Camp
- **CHVPROM - FRIDAY MAY 19TH!**
- Cheverly Garden Club - Plant Sale: Sat. May 13th @ 8:00am & Potluck Picnic: Mon. May 15th @ 6:30pm
- Woman's Club - Monthly Meeting, Discussion Group & May Peace Calendar.